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Dr. Wayne Cunningham, State Veterinarian Division of Animal Industry 700 Kipling Street, Suite 4000 Lakewood, CO 80215-8000

Via Email: wayne.cunningham@ag.state.co.us

Dear Dr. Cunningham:

I am pleased to notify you that effective today livestock, wild and exotic animals originating from Colorado will now be accepted for entry into Kentucky. Our removal of Colorado from the list of embargoed states is based on information received from your office and the USDA's Veterinary Service that Colorado is no longer experiencing active cases of *Vesicular Stomatitis*; and there are no premises currently under quarantine as a result of past infection. In addition, our conversations with veterinary officials in Colorado during the recent past indicate there are no premises being investigated for infection that are described as probable based on clinical findings.

With the removal of Colorado from the list of VS affected states, as was New Mexico last week—There are no longer any states considered by the Kentucky Department of Agriculture as being affected with vesicular stomatitis. Thus there are currently no states being required to meet the additional requirements for entry into Kentucky found in our Administrative Regulation 302KAR20:115 dealing with VS.

Respectfully,

Robert Stout State Veterinarian

Cc: Richie Farmer, Commissioner of Agriculture

Dr. Ian Stewart, USDA, APHIS-VS Colorado Area Epidemiology Officer